

Primary Election Ballot Tabulation and Canvassing

The August 10, 2021 Primary Election Contests in Salt Lake County are:

- **Herriman City Mayor**
- **Murray City Mayor**
- **Taylorsville City Council District #5**
- **West Jordan City Council At Large**
- **West Valley City Mayor & West Valley City Council District #2**

Election Night Results – A PRELIMINARY report will be released shortly after 8:00 p.m. and displayed on the website at www.got-vote.org (ELECTION NIGHT RESULTS) when the Vote Centers close. The preliminary report will include the results from vote-by-mail ballots that have been received, verified, and processed. Other update reports will be released intermittently on Election Night from the Vote Centers as they are closed, and supplies are returned to the County Government Center. The last report posted on Election Night will be marked the **FINAL UNOFFICIAL REPORT**. Please keep in mind that there are four categories of ballots which cannot be counted on Election Night. They are the following:

- Vote-by-mail ballots turned in at Vote Centers
- Vote-by-mail ballots deposited at drop boxes on Election Day
- Vote-by-mail ballots received in the mail after Election Day with a timely postmark
- Provisional ballots voted at the Vote Centers

➤ **Vote-By-Mail Ballots Turned in At Vote Centers**

Some voters choose to drop off their vote-by-mail ballots on Election Day at Vote Centers, or in drop boxes up until the polls close at 8:00 pm, and this is permissible. However, vote-by-mail ballots must be processed before they are counted, which includes verifying voters' signatures. Since many of these ballots are received at the Government Center after the polls close on Election Night, they must be verified and counted during the canvassing period.

➤ **Vote-By-Mail Ballots Received in The Mail After Election Day**

A ballot returned by mail that is received after Election Day is considered valid if it is postmarked by the day before the election (**August 9, 2021**) and received in the Election Division before noon on the day of the Boards of Canvassers Meetings (**August 24, 2021**).

➤ **Provisional Ballots Voted at The Vote Centers**

Voters using same-day registration vote provisionally. During the canvassing period, provisional ballots are researched, verified, and counted or rejected in accordance with election laws. Eligible provisional ballots are tabulated and included in the final results. We are unable to provide the number of provisional ballots for any specific jurisdiction until after the Boards of Canvassers Meetings.

Interim Election Reports - The County Clerk's Office is allowed to release **intermittent results** during the two-week canvassing period. Updated results will be released at 3:00 pm on the Thursday after Election Day. After that, we will continue scanning ballots and releasing results leading up to the Boards of Canvassers Meetings on August 24th, but only when there are enough ballots to do so. (We will post the times of expected updates on our website accordingly.)

Boards of Canvassers Meetings - In accordance with Utah Law, the Boards of Canvassers for the Primary Elections, comprised of mayors and city council members for their respective municipalities, will canvass their election returns and certify them on August 24th. The locations and times of the meetings of the Boards of Canvassers will be posted on the websites of the cities in which the primary elections are being held – **Herriman, Murray, West Jordan, Taylorsville, West Jordan, and West Valley City**. Final election results will be reviewed by the Boards of Canvassers and once the results are certified, the official winners will be announced and posted on our website.

For questions, please contact the Election Division at 385-468-7400 or email got-vote@slco.org.